

St Mary Out Liberty Community Council

Minutes of the General Meeting of the St Mary's Out Liberty Community Council held on Tuesday 14th November 2017 at New Hedges Village Hall at 6.30pm for the transaction of the following business:-

Present: Councillors Des Brace (Chair), Jon Preston (County Councillor), David Mitchell and Howard Rawson Humphries

- 1. Apologies for Absence** - Cllrs John Butland, David Nash and Robert Herrick
- 2. Chairman's Report** - Cllr Brace reported that the Remembrance Service conducted by the Reverend John Morgan was well attended with over 30 persons present including two Standard Bearers. Tea and Welsh cakes (provided by Mary Watts) were enjoyed by all.

The Christmas Tree (sponsored by Mr Gerald Brace of Broadfield) will be erected on Monday the 4th of December 2017 with the lights being switched on at 6pm, the singing of carols, Mulled Wine and mince pies will be enjoyed around the tree.

The Council wished to thank Cllr Des Brace for all his sterling work in arranging this event which is enjoyed every year by everyone in New Hedges.

- 3. Declaration of Interest** - These, if any, will be declared as and when required.
- 4. To Receive the Minutes of the Meeting Held on the 10th October 2017**

It was proposed by Cllr Rawson-Humphries that these Minutes be a true and accurate record of the meeting of St Mary Out Liberty Community Council held upon the 10th October 2017; Cllr Brace seconded the proposal with all Council in agreement.

- 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

None reported - The replacement bench and grass verge to be addressed in the agenda items.

- 6. Presentation of Accounts** - A balance sheet of October 2017 was presented to the Council for their perusal along with the following invoices for payment:-

Welsh Audit -	£186.00
Remembrance Wreath Donation and milk for service -	£32.00
Ink and Paper (6 months)-	<u>£25.14</u>
	<u>£243.14</u>

The Clerk also advised the Council that the PAYE account is now active with 'real time' access via the Government Gateway.

She also presented the Council with an analysis of her wages from 1st July to 31st December 2017 (26 weeks) See attached. The cheques for three months wages and 6 months PAYE Tax were presented but not signed, as these will be paid following the next meeting.

- 7. Planning Applications Received**

PCNP PA NP/17/0618/FUL Single Storey Side Extension Lodge Gate Cottage, Lake Drive.

Concerns were raised by the Council that the plans presented were out dated and did not depict all of the surrounding buildings.

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The Council did not have any objections or concerns regarding this application for an extension to existing dwelling.

PCC PA 17/0732/PA 3 Bedroom Dwelling & Attached Garage Plots 15 and 16 St Anne's Drive

The Council did not have any objections or concerns over this application for a new dwelling and agree that it would be an improvement to the surrounding area and as one of the last dwellings to be erected in this area, when the building works have been completed, should assist with the road adoption by the County Council.

8. Licensing Application(s) Received

Nil received.

9. Consideration of Correspondence Received

Email from Pembrokeshire County Council regarding the Local Development Plan 2 – Review, Report and Delivery Agreement Consultation. (Forwarded to all Councillors, Cllr Brace offered a paper copy)

Email from Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks Planning Authority – Land Allocations and Large Residential Sites Update. Discussed and County Councillor Preston updated the Council regarding the site to the rear of Cross Park, New Hedges.

10. Reports from Councillors Representing Committees Including County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Preston reported:-

He would like to produce a bi-yearly newsletter to update his constituents.

- Dial a Ride – This is a fantastic facility for residents to use but unfortunately it is not being used enough and is in danger of having to cease. It is a free service to enable persons to access doctors' appointments or shopping. For more information please contact the Clerk on 07525 007068.
- Unfortunately one bus service will cease to trade as from the 11th January 2018. More information in the December meeting.

Cllr Howard Rawson Humphries reported:-

- There are 8 streetlights faulty within St Mary Out Liberty. County Cllr Preston will report these, via their website, to the Pembrokeshire County Council.
- There is damage to the bus stop at Cwm Gwennol. Cllr Brace advised that whenever any damage is repaired unfortunately it is reoccurring and therefore no further action should be taken.
- There is a very large hole in the pavement at Hunters Park (outside 30 Hunters Park) which is now of concern due to the tripping or falling of persons using this path. The Clerk will report this to Pembrokeshire County Council.
- The furthest bollard (row of 7) from Knightston Lane has been uprooted. The Clerk will report this to Pembrokeshire County Council.
- Various damage has effected the footpath along the route from Scotsborough View – Scotsborough House – The Folly – Knightston Brook, presumably in the recent high winds. Also various footbridges and boardwalks have become unsafe. The Clerk to contact Pembrokeshire County Council and seek their advice.

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- A fallen tree is causing the path to be hazardous to walkers, who are attempting to go under it. It is thought to be on land in the ownership of Cllr Michael Evans. The Clerk will make contact with Cllr Evans and seek further information.

A copy of the Written Statement by the Welsh government of the Review of the Community Council Sector was presented to the Council. The Clerk to provide all Councillors with a copy.

A copy of the Draft Charter between Community and Town Councils and Pembrokeshire County Council was presented to the Council. County Cllr Preston advised that the Council should wait until a more recent copy is produced before passing comments.

Cllr Mitchell on behalf of the Village Hall Committee:-

The swings are almost finished. Unfortunately the workmen were called to other commitments but they should be finished by Monday (20th November 2017). There will be a photo shoot with the fundraisers and the hall committee and an editorial published in the Tenby Observer thanking everyone for their hard work.

Good news the Lottery Grant has been received.

There was thought that a flag pole may be erected but further information will be required before any decision is made.

11. Agenda Items:

a. Cutting of tree by roadway sign requires cutting back.

This was regarding the tree that had fallen on land in the ownership of others and has been covered within Cllr Rawson-Humphries Report.

b. The bench at the top of the village damaged by Event Wales.

Cllr Brace again advised the Council how upset he, and persons within of St Mary Out Liberty are, with the state in which the grass verge at the top of New Hedges village has been left following damage occasioned by the organisers of Ironman Wales. The Clerk advised that contact has initially been made with the organisers but no action has been taken on their behalf. The Clerk to make further contact and if not successful to contact Pembrokeshire County Council and seek their advice.

It was agreed that the replacement bench should be ordered and the invoice, as agreed, be forwarded to Events Wales who have agreed to pay for the replacement bench. The Clerk to order the bench.

c. The damaged grass verge – Repair to such

This item was covered above. It was decided that a village litter pick and bulb planting morning be held on Saturday the 25th November, meeting in the village hall car park at 10am.

12. Date for next meeting:-

Tuesday 12th December 6.30 at New Hedges Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 20.10